







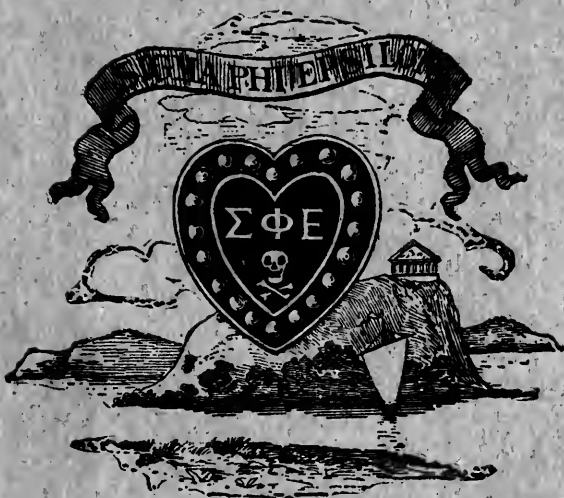
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# **Sigma Phi Epsilon Day**

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## **Jamestown Exposition.**

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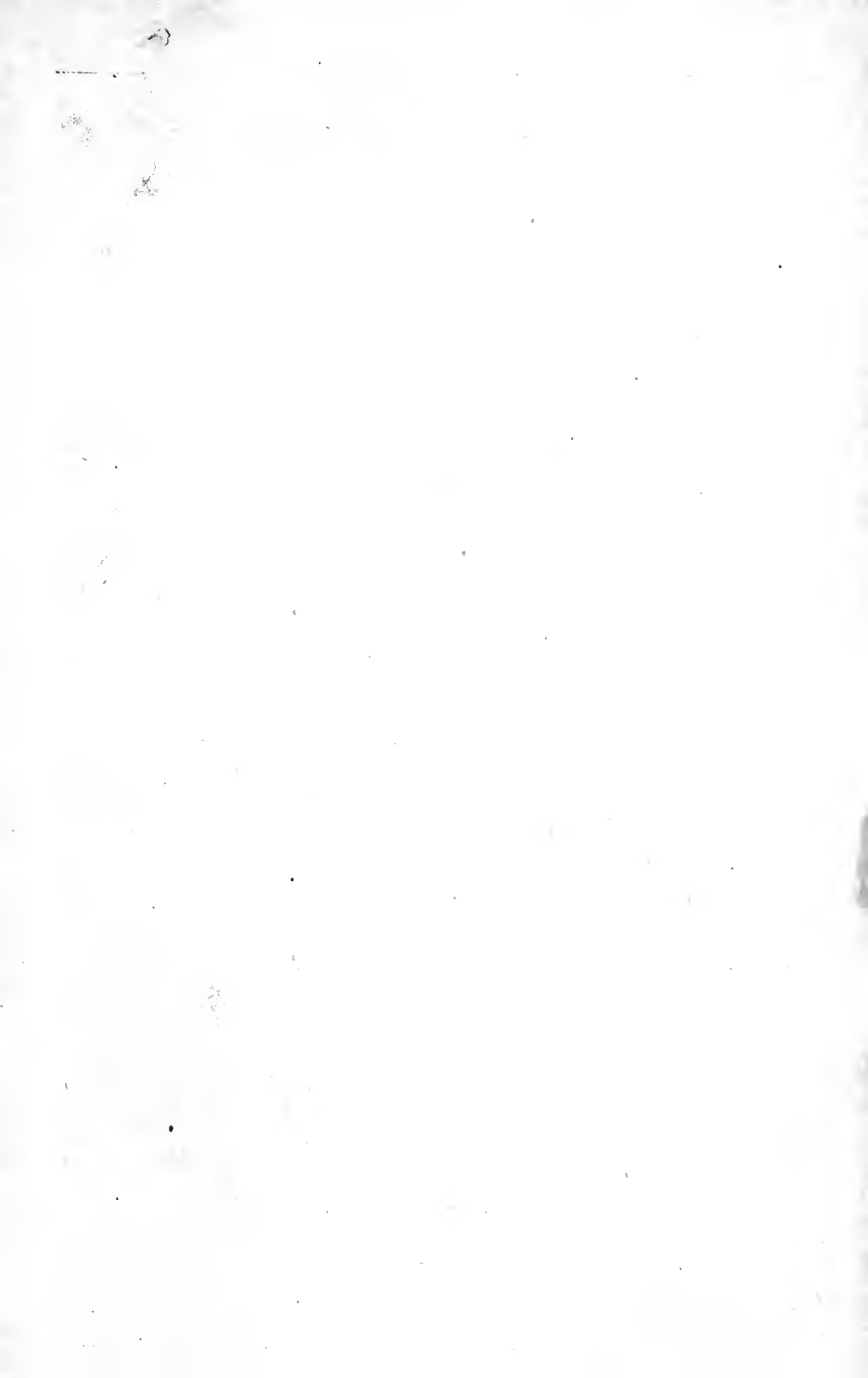
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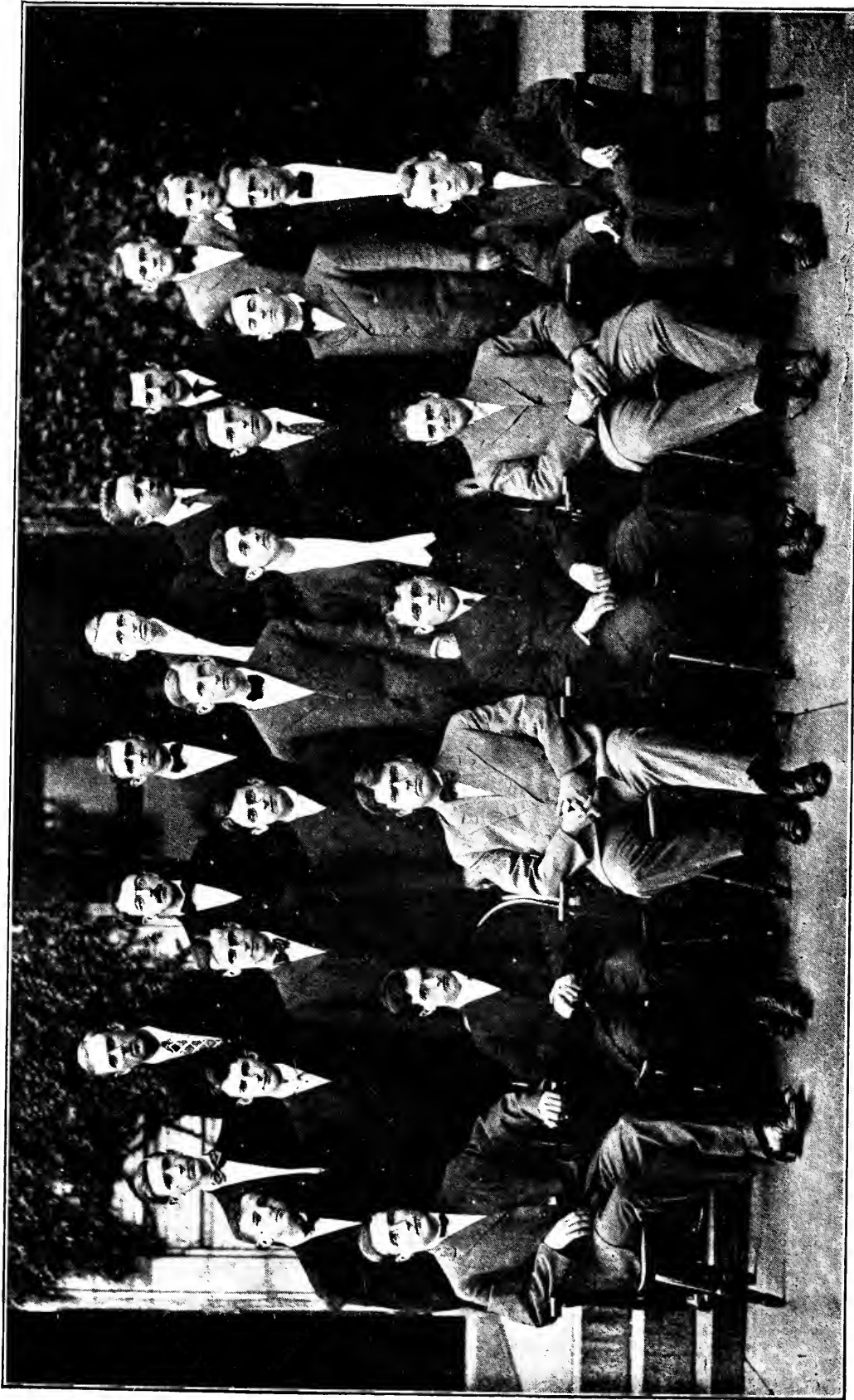
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## Contributions.

### The Conclave.

The fourth annual Conclave has passed into history as one of the most liberally attended and generally successful of any Conclave we have yet had, there being twelve chapters represented, which were as follows:

Alpha,	E. W. Hudgins.
Delta,	G. L. H. Johnson.
Eta Beta,	J. P. Lovell.
Theta Alpha,	N. R. Cooney.
Iota Alpha,	F. S. Robins.
Epsilon,	Thomas N. Hankin.
Kappa Alpha,	G. D. Beckwith.
Zeta,	Charles L. Yancey.
Lambda Alpha,	P. H. Gaskins.
Mu Alpha,	W. F. Wingett.
Eta,	Otis Marshall.
Delta Epsilon,	J. H. Wiley.

Every one was enthusiastic and much was accomplished for the advancement of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ . The report of the Grand Treasurer showed the financial condition of the fraternity to be excellent. The financial condition of the fraternity as compared with that of a year ago shows an increase of \$400 balance left in the treasury, demonstrating the substantial growth of the organization in that time; while the chapter reports also showed conditions to be most favorable at those chapters which were represented.

Although not as much was accomplished in regard to the constitution as most of us had hoped for, yet many important changes were made. This was due to the fact that so much was necessary to be done that the time was too short to complete it. The most important work of the Conclave was the revision of the Ritual. At the Philadelphia Conclave this work was placed in the hands of Brothers J. B. Webster and W. L. Phillips, who framed a Ritual around the landmarks of the fraternity. A copy was sent to each chapter, the result of which was the submittal by Brothers Jones and Hinkle, of Delta Beta, of a more practical work, and which, after much discussion and some few minor changes, was adopted. Copies of this will be forwarded to every chapter as soon as they can be prepared—in the code—by Bro. J. C. Griffin.

The charter question was not discussed at length, but the Grand Chapter will handle this matter to the satisfaction of those who are anxious for a settlement of this question before the end of this session.

Words are inexpressive of the good feeling toward Alpha for its royal entertainment of the Conclave. The hall at the Jefferson was an ideal place for the meeting, and the banquet was a fitting *finale* and truly exemplified Virginia hospitality.

The selection of speakers for the occasion was the best possible. Brother S. K. Phillips, in a short breezy address, welcomed the brothers to the Conclave. Brother N. R. Cooney responded in his usual forceful style. Brother E. W. Hudgins, who has fought shoulder to shoulder with the Editor for the life of THE JOURNAL, gave a brief history of its birth and continuance, making a strong appeal for its future support.

The "Ideal Sigma Phi Epsilon" was handled by the "idol" of Σ Φ Ε, Brother James B. Webster, who drew a mental picture of the glorious future consequent upon a life lived to the ideals of Σ Φ Ε.

Brother G. L. H. Johnson spoke of the "Goats," and, while it has been some time since he was one himself, seemed to remember well his part and offered many valuable suggestions for their future selection.

The toast-master, Brother O. L. Bowen, of Alpha, introduced for the last toast Brother T. V. McCaul, of Eta, who spoke on "Our Baby Chapters." With him we wandered far from the banquet hall into the realms of future achievement. No peak too high, no honor too great, was his theme, and when he closed, after having alluded to each chapter, thirty-two loyal brothers made the air ring to the battle-cry of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ .

It is to be hoped that the same brothers, reinforced by equally as large a number, will be at the next Conclave, and that the same spirit of brotherly love and enthusiasm may prevail.

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### Installation at Lehigh University.

Delta Epsilon was installed at Lehigh University September 19, 1907. The installation was in charge of Grand President Cooney, assisted by Bro. W. L. Phillips, of the Charter Committee, Grand Treasurer J. C. Griffin, ex-Grand Historian A. S. Jones, and Bro. William Hinkle.

The installation took place in the chapter house, 704 Dakota street, South Bethlehem, Pa. Sixteen men were initiated.

After the work was concluded, several speeches were made by the visiting officers, after which refreshments were enjoyed until the wee sma' hours.

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### Installation at University of Arkansas.

NORWALK, O., October 14, 1907.

Brother Phillips has asked me to tell you, through the columns of THE JOURNAL, something of the installation of Nu Alpha Chapter at Fayetteville, Ark.

On the afternoon of October 2d the writer landed in Fayetteville about a day behind schedule time, and was met by a committee of the men who were anxious to become goats in  $\Sigma \Phi E$ .

During the afternoon three of them were inducted into the secrets of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ , and later in the evening they were in shape

to assist in the ritualistic work in the initiation of the remaining eight. It may be discerned that Nu Alpha started on its careers with eleven men. There was, however, one other who was supposed to be initiated and become a charter member, but he was unavoidably detained, and no doubt has been taken in by the brothers since.

For Nu Alpha I predict a bright future, judging by the enthusiasm of the men, together with their experience in fraternity matters in a local way. They assured me, too, that they already had their eyes on good material for an addition, and would lose no time in getting out and unfurling the banner of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ , and not only would they do that, but would carry it to the front in their beloved college.

And so I say to all the chapters of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ , you may well feel proud in greeting our youngest sister chapter into the ranks of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ .

Faternally,

N. R. COONEY,  
Grand President.

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## Resolutions on Death of Former Grand President Robert R. Oliver.

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Whereas, it has been thought best by an all-wise Providence to suddenly remove from the earthly ranks of Sigma Phi Epsilon former Grand President Robert R. Oliver, who was killed by a train in Chicago, November 2, 1906; and whereas, during his connection with Sigma Phi Epsilon since its organization, he was instrumental in the extension of the fraternity to the extent of a sacrifice of much time and expense; and whereas, Brother Oliver held a peculiarly high position in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, and in the respect and esteem of its members; therefore be it

*Resolved*, That this Grand Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon, in Annual Conclave assembled, at Richmond, Va., September





JAMES B WEBSTER.



11-13, 1907, does express its great loss in the death of Brother Oliver, and its most sincere sympathy with the bereaved family ; and

*Be it further resolved,* That copies of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this Conclave, be sent to the family of our deceased brother, and be printed in THE SIGMA PHI EPSILON JOURNAL.

C. A. VERBECK, ©. B.

G. L. H. JOHNSON, Δ.

F. S. ROBBINS, I. A.

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## Resolutions Respecting Former Grand Secretary James B. Webster.

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Be it hereby known that this the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, assembled in Conclave at the Jefferson Hotel, Richmond, Va., September 11-13, 1907, hereby resolves :

That in Bro. James Benjamin Webster, its Grand Secretary for the year of 1907, it has had an officer of inestimable value and beloved esteem.

That it has had a member ever ready to serve, and under whose influence the whole movement has gone forward.

That now, as Brother Webster plans to go to the foreign field with the good tidings of the Christ, thus heeding God's highest call to man, the whole fraternity wishes him God-speed on his noble mission, and in the end a joyful " Well done " from the Master's lips.

S. K. PHILLIPS,

G. L. H. JOHNSON,

E. W. HUDGINS.

Committee of the Grand Chapter.

*Richmond, Va., Sept. 30, 1907.*

## A Few Lines from A. S. Jones, Delta Beta.

(Written especially for use at Lemonade Parties and Pink Teas and  
"Occasions.")

TUNE—" *Here's to good old Yale, drink her down.*"

Here's to Alpha, drink her down, drink her down ;

Here's to Alpha, drink her down, drink her down.

So fill up the festive bowl,

For in the bottom there's a hole,

And we'll drink again to Alpha, drink her down, drink her down ;

And we'll drink again to Alpha, drink her down, down, down.

Here's to Delta Beta, drink her down, drink her down ;

Here's to Delta Beta, drink her down, drink her down.

So fill up the festive bowl,

For in the bottom there's a hole,

And we'll drink to Delta Beta, drink her down, drink her down ;

And we'll drink to Delta Beta, drink her down, down, down.

*Etc., down the line of Chapters.*

Here's to our bucking Goat, drink her down, drink her down ;

Here's to our bucking Goat, drink her down, drink her down.

We've had other drinks galore,

So can drink to him no more,

But here's to Little William, drink her down, drink her down ;

Here's to Little William, drink her down, down, down.

Here's to our Fraternity, drink her down, drink her down ;

Here's to our Fraternity, drink her down, drink her down.

Drink to the Purple and Red ;

Others will when we are dead ;

So here's to our Fraternity, drink her down, drink her down.

Here's to our Fraternity, drink her down, down, down.

Here's to our old "Grads," drink her down, drink her down ;  
Here's to our old "Grads," drink her down, drink her down.

We are glad to have them with us,

On occasions both solemn and bibulous ;

So here's to our old "Grads," drink her down, drink her down.

Here's to our old "Grads," drink her down, down, down.

Here's to many happy days, drink her down, drink her down ;

Here's to many happy days, drink her down, drink her down.

Away with care and gloom

We're a long time in the tomb ;

So here's to many happy days, drink her down, drink her down ;

Here's to many happy days, drink her down, down, down.



# Chapter Letters.

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## Alpha.

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### Richmond College.

Meets in Hall on Campus every Saturday Evening at 7:30.

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Richmond College opened Thursday, September 19th, with the prospect of having the largest attendance in its history. The registrar's book shows an increase of forty over last year. This fact, of course, is pleasing to the present administration as well as to the alumni and friends of the College. The President and faculty have been busy all summer endeavoring to raise the \$350,000 required before Rockefeller will give the \$150,000 promised. We are all gratified to know that nearly all of this fund has been pledged, so that the proposed building and new equipments will in a short time add greatly to the efficiency of our beloved institution.

The interest of the whole College and city is now centered in the foot-ball squad, of which our brother, H. H. George 3d, is manager. Through the efficient work of said manager, we have a schedule of eleven games, five of which are to be played in Richmond, against some of the largest colleges and universities in the South.

Our jolly red-headed Tilman is still bluffing all other centres and occasionally (?) playing good hard ball at his old position.

Alpha has only six men back in the chapter this year—all are good strong men. We have three pledges whom we will be most happy to introduce to the fraternity at large in our next letter. Alpha as well as the team feel the loss of Captain Bowen, '06, and Captain Mench, '05, whose excellent work made the foot-ball team of last year. Though we miss the good work and influence of the eight brothers who failed to return to College, yet the visits of Brothers Bowen and Phillips, who are located in the city, have materially aided us in many ways. We are always glad to have them attend our meetings.



ALPHA CHAPTER 1906-7.



Brother Hudgins, '02, now successfully practicing medicine in Farmville, and Brother Wright, '07, who is in business in Fredericksburg, were with us on the campus for a few days. We were glad to have letters from Brothers Shue, Howell, and Throckmorton recently.

Alpha feels that she has derived great benefit from coming in touch with the fraternal spirit which seemed to pervade the hearts of every member and visitor to the Conclave. We were truly glad to have them with us, the one regret—that they were not more.

Fraternally,

*E. W. Hudgins,*  
*Chapter Historian.*

ALPHA.

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## Gamma Beta.

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West Virginia University.

Meets every Thursday at 10 P. M. at 540 Spruce Street.

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*Greetings to all Sigma Phi Epsilons:*

Gamma Beta opens the new school year with flying colors. The following undergraduates have returned: Brothers Jenkins, Tracy, Bennett, Folk, Whiting, Bell, Hartley, Gorby, McIntire, and DeVenny.

Brothers West, B. S., '07, and Price, Law, '07, have returned also, to work for their Master degrees. Pledge George Linn, who spent last year at North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, has come back to us, and will be "goated" soon.

Gamma Beta has placed fins on Bruce Wilson, '11, of Charleston, W. Va., and Ernest Pixler, '11, of Morgantown, W. Va. Several more good men are being rushed.

Of last year's men, who are not in school, Brother J. E. Wilson is with the Pennsylvania Railroad engineer corps at Logansport, Ind., Brother W. H. Robinson is with the American Bridge Company, Ambridge, Pa., and Brother J. B. Wyatt will

be superintendent of his home schools. All three of them will make good in their different work.

The chapter has the same suite of rooms in the Dering Building, at 540 Spruce street, that it had last year. The fraternity has furnished the rooms this year, however, which is more satisfactory than to rent them already furnished. All brothers who happen to come to Morgantown are welcome to our hospitality.

Brother W. L. Coogle, '08, at P. and S., Baltimore, visited us several days last month, and Bro. C. C. Holland, of Pittsburg, Pa., also called while visiting his parents near here.

Just now foot-ball is the most interesting topic here. Clarence E. Russell, three years on the Michigan team under Yost, is coaching, and the prospects are good for a strong team. Only small games have been played so far, as follows: Ohio University, California Y. M. C. A., and Parkersburg Y. M. C. A. The scores were 35 to 5, 36 to 0, and 55 to 0, respectively, against those teams. Our hard games, perhaps none of which we will win, are the Navy, Pennsylvania State, Western University of Pennsylvania, and Washington and Jefferson College. Marietta will likely be a very hard game, too. Eligibility rules are creating no little talk here now, as our rules place us at a considerable disadvantage with the teams we play. No preparatory students can play on our teams, and specials must have twenty-one courses credit, and have been in school the previous term. Old students, too, must have been in term previous in order to be eligible. Thirty-six courses are necessary to admit to the Freshman class, from which practically our first year athletes come, and, since a course means a passing grade on work which requires five hours a week for twelve weeks, it is seen that our standard is pretty high. Several of our strongest opponents do not have such stringent eligibility rules, and our students feel that our requirements for the different games should not be the same. This year Rhodes, who is playing on the Washington and Lee team, and Hoblitzell, of the Western University of Pennsylvania team, came here to enter, but did not have a sufficient number of



credits to be eligible. The outcome of the matter will be interesting.

The fraternity war, which has raged so fiercely for the past few years, seems to have abated for the time being at least. Few class elections have been held, however, so that it is hard to tell what may happen. The Board of Regents partly solved the fight for the control of the Athletic Association by placing a yearly fee of five dollars on all students, and giving them a free membership in the Association and free admission to all games. This action places fraternity men in the minority in the election, whereas, before, but few "barbs." belonged.

Our officers are J. H. Jenkins, G. W. Whiting, G. B. Folk, G. B. Hartley, G. W. Price, and Mont McIntire.

Wishing a prosperous year to all sister chapters, we are,  
Fraternally,

G. W. Price,

GAMMA BETA.

*Chapter Historian.*

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## Delta Beta.

### Jefferson Medical College.

Fraternity House, 327 South Eleventh Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Once more Delta Beta wishes to extend greetings, by kindness of THE JOURNAL, to all her sister chapters.

With the beginning of each year comes joy and gladness, as each one enters our fraternal home with hearts overflowing with the true spirit.

As usual, we are enjoying the comforts of a "full house." Our number is rapidly increasing. Delta Beta has rapidly and carefully worked her way to the front rank of the fraternities at Jefferson Medical College, and can now feel that other fraternities here must "look up" to her.

We have been blessed by the addition of two more of Delta Gamma's stellates, Brothers Beck and McKinney. Delta Beta most heartily welcomes such men into her fold. Both of

these men, we feel, will be heard of on the gridiron for "Jeff." Brother McKinney, having won laurels on the W. U. P. team, will, no doubt, afford us opportunities to rejoice. Besides these two brothers, Hinkel, the star blonde centre of last year's strong team, is with us, while Brother Forcey, '10, will "hold down" a regular position. The probabilities are that we will have at least five men regularly on the team.

Last week the chapter house was the scene of a cheerful occasion when two of Ireland's emblematic colors, Brothers Holt and McCracken, rode the goat.

Fraternal spirit among the boys is nearing the goal. Good men are being watched carefully, and our prospects for some excellent men are exceedingly bright.

We all join in wishing that all sister chapters could feel as we do.

The chapter will give a "smoker" next Saturday evening, when a number of alumni and friends are expected to be present.

In behalf of the chapter I wish to extend congratulations to Brother Phillips for the untiring interest he is taking in making THE JOURNAL the success it is achieving.

With best wishes for a successful year, we beg to remain,

Most fraternally,

*C. S. Gracey,*  
*Chapter Historian.*

DELTA BETA.

## Delta Gamma.

Western University of Pennsylvania.

Meets every Tuesday at 12:30 P. M., at Fraternity Rooms, 3019 Brereton Avenue.

PITTSBURG, PA., September 27, 1907.

Of necessity this greeting of Delta Gamma to all of her sister chapters of  $\Sigma \Phi E$  must be incomplete, as the regular term will not begin until after this issue has gone to press.

Bro. A. V. Hicks, a charter member and honored alumnus

of Delta Gamma, is resident physician at St. Francis Hospital, this city.

Last week Brothers Zieg and Duggan, of classes '09 and '10, respectively, visited Dr. Hicks.

The Doctor, immediately upon their arrival, began showing them about. All went well until the insanity ward was reached. It was here that a very keen-eyed patient imagined in her hallucinations that she saw in Brother Zieg a very dear old friend, from whom she had been separated for a long time, and at once acted accordingly. Now Brother Zieg, being untutored in the art of returning feminine greetings and caresses, was in a dire state, and had it not have been for the timely action of Brother Duggan our tale would have doubtless had a romantic ending. But the last-named gentleman, being especially schooled in all the feminine graces, was able, by a few mysterious manipulations of the risorious muscle, to so charm the lady that she at once forsook her purpose, and fell a victim to Duggan's smile! After this the men were able to go on their way rejoicing.

Bro. W. L. O'Hagan is resident physician at the Mercy Hospital. Dr. O'Hagan is a charter member of Delta Gamma and one of her most beloved alumni.

Bro. Brontz Luther Cowen, '09, is convalescing from a severe attack of appendicitis. We hope he will speedily be restored to perfect health.

Brothers McKinney and Chatham, our representatives on the 'Varsity foot-ball squad, are showing up fine during the practices. Brother McKinney is at left guard and Chatham half back. Brother McKinney made an enviable record last year. We are very proud of these brothers.

Brother Beck, '10, has entered Jefferson Medical College.

Brothers Zieg and S. B. Anderson have, with untiring and unremitting effort, succeeded in transforming our pleasant and comfortable fraternity rooms into a luxurious home.

To all brothers who may be in Pittsburg we extend a cordial invitation to meet with us.

Faternally,

H. B. Jones,

*Chapter Historian.*

DELTA GAMMA.

## Delta Delta.

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University of Pennsylvania.

Meets every Monday Evening at 7 o'clock, in Chapter House, 3717 Locust Street,  
Philadelphia, Pa.

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Delta Delta sends greetings to all sister chapters.

This year we commenced with our prospects far from bright, because of the unexpected failure to return of some of our members. After the effects of this surprise had passed, we settled down to the realization of our condition and looked after recruits for our weakened chapter, the result of which is our introduction to the fraternity of Brothers

Gilbert Kilduff, Dental, '09.

Charles R. Keilty, Wharton, '11.

George E. Macfarlane, Wharton, '11.

Delta Delta has settled now to hard work, and we expect to make this a banner year for our chapter.

We have reports of six of our alumni. Brother George J. Lawrence was married this month to Miss Blabber, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Drs. Keilty and Brumbaugh are at the General Hospital, Lancaster, Pa.; Benjamin L. Solomon is at Granby, Mo.; Isaac Brown is resident physician at Phoenixville Hospital, and F. P. Horan is completing his studies in Europe.

Hoping to be able to report a continuance of prosperity in our next letter, and with best wishes to all brothers, we are,

Fraternally,

*Walter F. Sibley,*  
*Acting Historian.*

DELTA DELTA.

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## Beta Alpha.

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College of Physicians and Surgeons of University of Illinois.

Meets Every Monday Night at Fraternity House, 352 Warren Avenue.

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To all Sigma Phi Epsilon, Beta Alpha extends the "glad hand," with best wishes for a prosperous year for our brothers

and our organization, a happier year for our long-suffering editor, and a year of pleasing successes to reward our Grand Chapter for its efforts.

The College of Physicians and Surgeons opened the first of October with Sigma Phi Epsilon members "Johnny on the spot," back from our summer's vacation, all, with a few exceptions, fat and tanned, hardly in training for study. The exceptions are Brother Eck, who has struggled, worried, and fought for his fraternity here in the city while his immediate brothers were care-free elsewhere, and Brother Gabby, who has spent the summer at the Cook County Infirmary at Dunning, and whose returned remnant has been suffering just punishment for slander which our ex-Historian saw fit to insert in the last issue of THE JOURNAL.

Our dignified Brother Turner has rashly induced a superfluous growth of hair upon his face during the past wet summer, and for this carelessness he will be called upon to give account.

Of last year's graduation, Brother Toeller has an interneship at St. Bernard's Hotel Dieu, in this city, Brother Hageman has a good practice on the North Side, Brother Wakefield, who bravely entered into matrimony last June, is practicing at Bloomington, in this State, and Brother Farrell is located in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Our College is very strong in fraternities, and as school starts we have constantly in mind our work of securing valuable material from the Freshman class, which of course contains both the "wise and otherwise."

Beta Alpha Chapter is in decidedly the best condition she has ever been. We are rightfully proud of our house and furnishings, on Warren avenue, the most sumptuous quarters we have ever held. Sigma Phi Epsilon never plays second fiddle.

With best wishes to all chapters, we are

BETA ALPHA.

*Mylo Lee,*  
*Chapter Historian.*

## Epsilon Alpha.

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University of Colorado.

Meets every Monday Evening at 7 o'clock, 1139 Twelfth Street.

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BOULDER, COL., September 26, 1907.

It is with pleasure that Epsilon Alpha extends greetings to every brother in  $\Sigma \Phi E$ , at the beginning of the new year.

The University opened on the 9th of September with a larger attendance than ever before, and prospects for the coming year were never brighter.

Our banquet, held in the Physicians' Block, May 29, 1907, was a decided success. Representative A. E. Healey acted as toast-master. Three other alumni—F. J. Knauss, George W. Reinks, and R. D. Knight—were present, and each made interesting speeches. In closing, Bro. R. B. Stitzer spoke on "Sigma Phi Epsilon." His speech was full of hearty companionship and brotherly love, which shows the real fraternal spirit which exists among the brothers in Epsilon Alpha.

Bro. R. D. Knight, '06, last June took upon himself the duties of a husband. Our best wishes go with him.

We are sorry to state that Bro. F. J. Roche will not return this year. With this exception, all of the old men are back. Twelve are living in the house.

Bro. E. T. Anderson was quite painfully injured in a baseball game last summer. Before the game, in practice, his nose was broken, and later, while at bat, his cheek bone was broken by a pitched ball. He has recovered, and we are glad indeed to have him back with us.

We take pleasure in introducing five pledges:

E. L. Greenwald, '08, Denver, Col.

Edward V. Dunklee, '11, Denver, Col.

William D. Schuster, '11, Greeley, Col.

Howard R. Waldo, '10, Canon City, Col.

Charles H. Adams, '11, Boulder, Col.

We feel that we will be greatly benefited by receiving such desirable men.

On Saturday evening, September 14th, we entertained our pledges with a "smoker" at the chapter house, and on Friday evening following we gave an informal "hop" to our friends.

We feel that we have our share of the University honors.

Bro. H. E. Sovereign is president of the Engineering School and assistant in the Physics Department.

Bro. R. B. Stitzer is business manager of *The University of Colorado Journal of Engineering*, and Pledge E. L. Greenwald is editor-in-chief. He also presides over a section of the "Freshies" in "Trig."

Bro. E. T. Anderson is editor-in-chief of this year's Annual. Last spring "Andy" held the highest batting average (college ball) in the State.

Bro. A. B. Heaton made his "C" in track last spring, and is now on the foot-ball squad.

Pledge E. V. Dunklee is vice-president of the combined Freshman class.

In closing, Epsilon Alpha wishes every wearer of the "heart" a bright and prosperous school year.

Faternally,

W. H. Lowther,  
*Chapter Historian.*

EPSILON ALPHA.

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## Delta.

**William and Mary College.**

Meets every Friday at 11 P. M., in Chapter Hall, on Duke of Gloucester Street.

Greetings and best wishes is the opening message that Delta would have conveyed to every chapter and every brother in  $\Sigma \Phi E$ ; and we can only hope that the future is as bright for all our sister chapters as Delta's seems to be.

It was the pleasure and privilege of most of us to attend the annual Conclave at Richmond, Va., and it is to this one fact

that we attribute, in a great measure, our success at the opening of the session. Never before had we realized just what fraternity life was to us, both individually and collectively. After being there those three pleasant days, and coming into personal contact with men whose noble characters and charming personalities were typical of the best of American manhood, and whose high and noble purposes were at all times apparent, we could but feel inspired and incited to do more for that great and grand organization of which we are so small a part—Σ Φ Ε—and so we did. Each of us returned to our dear old College re-imbued with fraternity spirit, and determined that when the roll is called at the next Conclave Delta's report shall be one of which we may feel proud.

Upon our arrival at College this year our new fraternity house was prepared to receive us, and we immediately set ourselves to work looking for the best fraternity material. We did not look in vain either. As a result of our efforts we have succeeded in gathering into the fold of Σ Φ Ε as choice as the choicest; and it is with great pleasure that we can introduce to the fraternity at large our new initiates:

B. E. Strode, Staunton, Va.

O. G. Roper, Portsmouth, Va.

T. L. Creekmore, Portsmouth, Va.

G. W. Thomas, Sterling, Va.

C. P. Newby, Elizabeth City, N. C.

Robert B. Barber, Sharp's, Va.

These are men who have come to college with a definite purpose in view, and if they continue the prosecution of that purpose as they have begun, which we believe they will, we feel assured that not only will they add strength to our own chapter, but they will contribute to the development of the fraternity as a whole. Each of them seems to realize the honor that has come to him, and seems fully determined to walk worthily of it.

To those of us who have become more familiar with the affairs of college life, and, for that reason, have had our ideas broadened and our ideals raised, there comes to us a feeling of



greater responsibility. But, while we are apparently struggling under its weight, the relief takes obvious shape in the form of greater possibilities ; and to-night, dear brothers, as Delta's correspondent sits quietly in his study, contemplating the future glory of the institution with which he is associated, added to her already glorious past, he sees looming up also his fraternity, with Delta shining only as one star in the royal diadem of chapters. He feels that her foundation stone has been carefully laid, and that so long as we continue to build rightly upon this super-structure nothing can impede our progress.

But why should this be put in a letter, some may ask. Simply because it is not long that we have been able to feel this way about our own chapter. In spite of the fact that nothing of blame could be attached to our installation, we were regarded suspiciously by the older ones of the Greek world. They were, however, deceiving themselves with the idea that because a thing is new it is perhaps not good, and did not recognize that the new may oftentimes be an improvement upon the old. We are glad to say, however, to the fraternity, through *THE JOURNAL*, that such a feeling has apparently faded in the dim past, and now our relations with the other fraternities here are the most pleasant and, we hope, abiding ; and for this reason, as well as many others, we can but feel assured that Delta will continue to be a potent factor in fraternity life at William and Mary.

Bro. J. H. Bowen, of the Hampton High School, has paid us several visits during this part of the session. We are always glad to see his cheerful face, as he is one of Delta's most loyal members. It will be remembered also, in connection with Brother Bowen, that he is the only man who, during the last administration of the College, had his B. A. degree in two years, after only high school preparation. .

Bro. C. M. Leatherbury, of the Richmond High School, and Bro. B. C. Flannagan, of Newport News, two more of our very loyal alumni, have also honored us with a visit recently. Come again, brothers. Our hearts and our house are always open to you, as well as any others who wear the "heart."

About our college honors and our social functions we shall have more to say in our next letter.

Hoping this may be the most prosperous year with all the brothers in  $\Sigma \Phi E$  during its history to date, and extending a hearty congratulation to all the "goats," including our new chapters, we remain,

Fraternally yours,

*G. L. H. Johnson,*  
*Chapter Historian.*

DELTA.

## Eta Beta.

North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

Meets every Sunday at 2 P. M.

Again, at the beginning of a new, and what we hope will be a prosperous, college year, Eta Beta has the pleasure of greeting her sister chapters through THE JOURNAL.

Since the beginning of this new college year Eta Beta has been busy in looking up good men, and have as yet pledged four that we believe will be a credit to  $\Sigma \Phi E$ . On account of not having a copy of the new Ritual, we have not taken them in up to this time, but hope to do so in a short while.

It is with the greatest regret that we have, through THE JOURNAL, to announce the death of our beloved Bro. J. A. Porter. On the day of his return he was taken sick with pneumonia and died three days later. Brother Porter was one of the brightest and most worthy young men, not only in Eta Beta, but in the College throughout. He was among those that led the class of '09, and one of the most popular men in his class. Brother Moore, as pall-bearer, accompanied his body to Biltmore, the home of his parents. Although this loss was a great blow to Eta Beta, she is still up and doing, and has every hope of a prosperous year.

Among our brothers that have returned are Brothers A. D. Dupree, '08, O. Moore, '09, W. R. Hampton, '09, J. B. Parks, '10,



J. A. PORTER,  
Eta Beta,



T. T. Dawson, '10, Alfred Armfield, '10, who are all earnestly working in the interest of Eta Beta and  $\Sigma \Phi E$ .

It may be of interest to some of our sister chapters as to the whereabouts of some of our brothers that did not return. Bro. J. L. Hemphill is with the General Electric Company, at Schenectady, N. Y. Brothers Moore and Abernathy are at Lynchburg, Va., with the Southern Railway. Brother Brock is in South America. Brother Shelburn is postmaster at Greenville. Brother Lovell is with the E. & A. railroad, at Elkin, N. C. We enjoyed a short call during the past month from all of these brothers except Brock and Shelburn.

Eta Beta had the pleasure of meeting Brothers Powell and Barson, of Zeta, and all were very much impressed by both of them, and think they do credit to Zeta in themselves as well as foot-ball players.

Eta Beta was represented by Bro. J. P. Lovell at the Conclave, who reported a very pleasant trip.

Extending a cordial invitation to all brothers who may happen in Raleigh, we are,

Faternally,

R. F. Jones,

ETA BETA.

*Chapter Historian.*

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## Theta Alpha.

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Ohio Northern University.

Meets every Saturday Evening at 5:30 o'clock at 12 South Main Street.

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*Greetings to all our Sister Chapters:*

The opening of a new year finds Theta Alpha Chapter with ten old members on hand. Last spring we held our alumni reception. Although it was not so fully attended, we expect it to be a factor in our fraternity.

Our prospects for the coming year are good. Since our last letter,

Palmer N. Myers, McKeesport, Pa.,  
 Mervyn O. Enterline, Brookville, Pa.,  
 R. Kirk Mee, Oxford, Ohio,  
 Joseph F. Janda, Keewaunee, Wis.,  
 Ross Hedges, Lancaster, Ohio, ·

were butted into the mysteries of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ , and we have two pledges on hand,

S. Byran Dickerson,  
 Major F. B. Atherton,

who are ready to meet the hungry goat.

The coming year is one of unparalleled interest to us.

The annual Conclave and its results are of vital importance to us.

An agreeable surprise to all. We will be the proud possessor of a chapter home in about two months, if nothing unforeseen occurs. Before we had our fraternity rooms somewhat away from the University. When we are all gathered together in our new home the real fraternity spirit and life will exist and will enthuse us all for the work of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ .

In the last eight months we increased from four to sixteen members, secured our rooms, and are now on a fair way to own a chapter house. This record we all feel proud of, and a great deal of our success is due to Brother Casey, President during this period of activity.

Our semi-annual election was held last spring, with the following results: R. H. Gramm, A. White, H. S. Miller, C. L. Miller, M. O. Enterline, and R. K. Mee.

Brother Allen is one of the most promising of candidates for the 'Varsity foot-ball team this season.

Brother A. White, a charter member of Theta Alpha, is again in our midst.

Theta Alpha wishes all brothers success, and that this year may be the greatest success in the life of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ .

Fraternally yours,

*Mervyn O. Enterline,*  
*Chapter Historian.*

THETA ALPHA.

## Iota Alpha.

Purdue University.

Meets every Saturday at 8 o'clock P. M., 41 Salisbury Street, Lafayette, Ind.

WEST LAFAYETTE, IND., October 1, 1907.

After a summer pleasantly spent, Iota Alpha again extends heartiest greetings to her sister chapters.

It was with great pleasure that we noted the installation of the new chapters, which, we feel assured, will give good accounts of themselves in the cause of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ , and we wish all of our new brothers the greatest success in their new field.

Grand President Cooney spent September 30th and October 1st with us, and we enjoyed his short stay very much. He spoke to us in secret meeting, and, from all outward appearances, created new enthusiasm in the hearts of the brothers. It is indeed a pleasure to meet and talk with a brother who is acquainted with so many of the chapters, and who takes such an interest in the work of the Grand Chapter. Brother Cooney went to Fayetteville, Ark., from here, for the purpose of installing Nu Alpha. We were very glad to know that we were to have another chapter in the West.

We have been holding our own in the work of securing pledges, and we now present the following names :

John Merritt, '09, Frankfort, Ind.

Francis J. Lebeau, '11, St. Louis, Mo.

Walker W. Winslow, '11, Indianapolis, Ind.

Morris McCracken, '11, Louisville, Ky.

Fred. Hammond, '11, Frankfort, Ind.

They are all excellent men, and we feel sure they will be a credit to  $\Sigma \Phi E$ .

We lost but two men by graduation last year—Brothers Clerget and Duncan. Brother Clerget is with the Bullock Electric Company, of Cincinnati, and Brother Duncan is associated with his father in coal mining at Greenville, Ky. Brothers Arbogust and Strain were unable to return, and we miss them a

great deal. Brother G. B. McNair, who was out of school a year, has returned, and we welcome him back into the fold.

Athletics are on the boom at Purdue. From two to three hundred men play foot-ball every evening, and from them we expect a brilliant team. "Turk" Winslow, our husky Freshman, has excellent prospects of playing on his class team, and Brothers Supy and Cavan are working hard on the Sophomore team. Basket-ball soon begins, and, while material is scarce, Brother Lewis, who is captain, expects to round out a team of which we may feel proud.

Our officers for the ensuing year are M. R. B. Keller, J. C. Lewis, B. R. Lewis, E. A. Clark, L. V. Sheridan, E. J. P. Bayer, and J. T. Voigt, whose excellent services last year caused his retention as steward for 1907-'08. Because of Brother Voigt's business ability, our house has received a new coat of paint and has been papered throughout, so that we now have a very pleasant home.

In closing, Iota Alpha wishes success to her sister chapters during the coming year, which, we feel sure, will be the most prosperous in our existence up to the present.

IOTA ALPHA.

*L. V. Sheridan,*  
*Chapter Historian.*

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## Kappa Alpha.

Syracuse University.

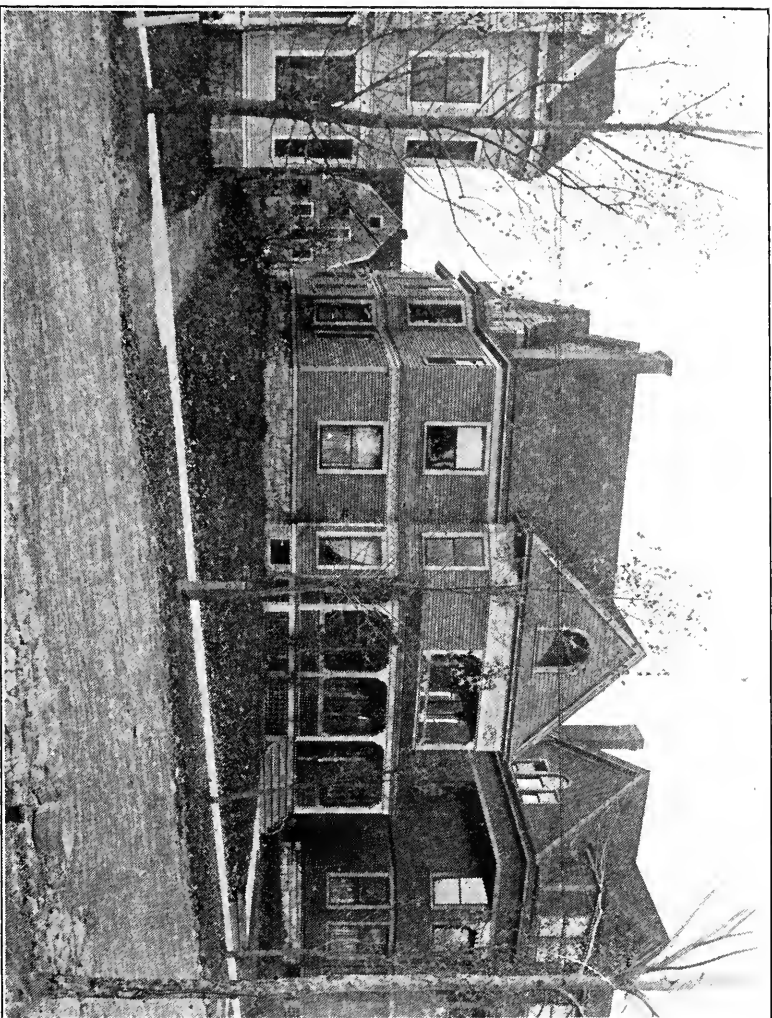
Meets every Friday Evening at 7:30 o'clock, 303 Waverly Avenue.

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"The year growing ancient,  
Not yet on summer's death, nor on the birth  
Of trembling winter."

Unlike the autumn leaves that are falling to Mother Earth and laying down their work, we are taking up our difficult, though enjoyable tasks. The leaves have done their work well. Shall we?





KAPPA ALPHA CHAPTER HOUSE,  
Syracuse University.



Twenty-two of us are back again at New Syracuse. Some of us have spent the vacation encamped along the shores of the beautiful lakes that dot the picturesque Adirondacks, some at hard work, and some in travel, but one and all are into the harness and pulling together.

Kappa Alpha's loyal sons, though geographically separated, coming as they do from nearly every section of this great Empire State, the South, and New England States, are not divided in their spirit of true love for  $\Sigma \Phi E$  and loyal devotion to Syracuse University, and it is with true fraternal feeling that we greet our sister chapters through THE JOURNAL.

Kappa Alpha's chapter house was never in better condition to welcome the returning brothers than it was September 19th. Under the careful supervision of Brother C. L. DuBois, '07, the house had been cleaned, refurnished, and repaired at a considerable expense. We were ready at the opening of college to receive visitors. The fraters need to be congratulated for the artistic manner in which they have decorated their respective rooms. We extend a cordial invitation to all Sigma Phi Epsilonians to call and verify this statement. "Come up and see us."

While our spirits are high, and good resolutions and strong endeavor prevail in our midst, yet, because the old ranks are broken and the voices that once filled our home with glee are heard elsewhere, there comes to our hearts a feeling of sadness, and perhaps it will be of interest to briefly speak of where and what '07 graduates are:

Bro. R. G. Perkins, our old presiding officer, is with us this year. He has begun a four years' course in the Medical College. Glad to have you with us, "Si."

Bro. A. L. Barber, who graduated *cum lauda*, is principal of the high school at Minneto, N. Y.

Bro. R. E. Wilson is principal of the high school at LaFargeville, N. Y.

Bro. Walter White is teaching Science at the high school in Bay Shore, Long Island.

Bro. R. D. Trebilcox is principal of the high school at Warners, N. Y.

Bro. C. L. DuBois is manager of the Multigraph Advertising Company, of this city.

Bro. L. W. Chester is principal of the high school at Jamesville, N. Y.

Bro. L. E. Fox is teaching at Lowville Academy, Lowville, N. Y.

Bro. R. M. Pierce is preaching in Western New York.

Bro. R. S. Moore will soon be sent out as a field agent among the Spanish-speaking people of South America for the Monarch Typewriter Company, of this city.

And the humble historian, who graduated *cum lauda* and received a @ B Φ key, is working for the degree of A. M.

One of the greatest meetings ever held at Syracuse was held on October 3d, when Crouse chapel was packed to its capacity. The most inspiring part was the University Band, consisting of thirty members fully equipped with instruments and suits. We are proud to write that four of our brothers—Merwin, Ford, Soule, and Talmadge—are in the band. Brother Talmadge is manager. Another feature of the meeting was the singing of the Glee Club (Brother Beckwith and pledgeling Taft have made the club). It was interesting to hear Rubin, '92, compare Syracuse University fifteen years ago with to-day. "Then Rochester beat us in foot-ball 20 to 0; to-day we have the best stadium in the college world and one of the best foot-ball teams on the gridiron."

Saturday Yale beat us 11 to 0, scoring one touch-down on a fumble, the other score by a forward pass and place kick. Last fall we beat West Point. We are proud of our University and proud that Kappa Alpha is so well represented in all college affairs. We have become thus prominent through persistent endeavor and by insisting that the underclassmen begin at once to do their best for our fraternity and University.

Brother Beckwith, our delegate to the Conclave at Richmond, gave an excellent report of the proceedings and accomplishments.

There is one topic taken up at the Conclave that impresses me as being of great importance, and one which every chapter ought to sit up and take notice of—songs and yells. Yes, if there is one factor in our fraternity at large that has been sadly neglected it is this. Who will say that music does not stir his very being and inspire in him a strong affection for that about which he is singing? I have no doubt in my mind but that Kappa Alpha's success is due largely to the fact that we have songs and sing them; we have yells and yell them. We have in our chapter an orchestra consisting of seven men: Brothers Talmadge, Clark, Ford, Soule, Merwin, Robinson, and Bonnett. Try to organize one in your chapter. Two new songs have been composed already this year by the Historian, and I trust that every sister chapter will not, perhaps, take Kappa Alpha as an example along this line, but will heed the suggestions of that noble body of brothers who met at Richmond.

Kappa Alpha has been hustling after men as well, and we are glad to announce, even at this time in college, that, after turning down so many, we can name four whom we have chosen and who have decided to come our way:

H. T. Taft, '11.

P. G. Skull, '11.

Peter Breckheimer, '11.

Leland Robinson, '10.

Mr. Robinson was pledged last year. He has social and musical ability which will add to our social functions.

Mr. Taft is the most promising foot-ball man in the Freshman class (no Freshman can play on 'Varsity teams in Syracuse). He will no doubt make the 'Varsity later on in his course.

Mr. Skull is a strong foot-ball and base-ball man.

Mr. Breckheimer is a student of unusual ability.

We are proud of every one of these men. They are men of strong moral characters. I wish every chapter could have heard the speech of Brother Griffin, made in chapter meeting, on "What Kind of Men We Want in Sigma Phi Epsilon." He said, in brief, "We want athletes, musicians, and scholars, but, above all,

we want men who are preparing *non solum* for this present life, *sed etiam* for the life hereafter." Now, brothers, was he not right? Such men are developing symmetrically, neglecting neither the physical, intellectual, nor spiritual sides—an all-round manly man.

Kappa Alpha has nothing but strong desires for the success of every new and old chapter.

If you come to Syracuse, drop in and see us.

Yours fraternally,

W. F. Taylor,  
Chapter Historian.

KAPPA ALPHA.

## Epsilon.

Washington and Lee University.

Meets every Saturday Night at 10 o'clock in Fraternity Hall.

Epsilon extends greetings to all the sister chapters of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ , wishing them much success for the coming year.

The old men who are back this year are T. N. Havlin, H. M. White, C. W. Streit, S. M. Ray, C. H. Blackford, and A. H. Payne.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity at large our new brothers :

Edwin N. Casey, Lawrenceburg, Ky.

Harry P. Phillips, Charlestown, W. Va.

They are promising young Freshmen, and will, no doubt, be a credit to  $\Sigma \Phi E$ . We have several other good men in view, and hope to present their names in the next issue of *THE JOURNAL*.

This year bids fair to be the greatest year, in many respects, in the history of Washington and Lee University. With an enrollment of nearly 500 men, a new library in course of erection, additions to athletic fields, and many other improvements give an air of prosperity to the old University.

Brother Streit is captain of the foot-ball team, and Brother

White is playing in the line. The team is a strong one, and promises to have a very successful season. It held the North Carolina team 0 to 0 at Newport News.

Hoping that all the chapters may secure good men for our fraternity, we are,

Fraternally,

A. H. Payne,

EPSILON.

*Chapter Historian.*

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## Zeta.

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**Randolph-Macon College, Ashland, Va.**

Meets every Saturday at 9:45 P. M. in Fraternity Room, Hughes Building.

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After a very pleasant summer's vacation, the men of Zeta have returned with the determination to make this a most successful year for the chapter. We have back six of our old men this year, four of whom were on the grounds at the opening of College. However, Zeta has lost several good men this year: Bro. L. W. White, who graduated last June, now has a position with the City Treasurer in Norfolk, and Brother Sawyer, another of our alumni members, is principal of the Boykins High School; Brother Snell has gone to the University of Virginia, where he has identified himself with Eta, while Brother Person is also enjoying university life at Carolina, and Brother Blankinship is located in Amherst, Va.

We were very glad to have had the pleasure of a visit from Brother Lovil, of Eta Beta, during the Conclave, and wish more of the representatives had visited us while they were in Richmond. It is useless to say that those of us who attended the Conclave were delighted with the hospitality of Alpha, and much benefited by our presence at that assembly.

The usual amount of "rushing" has been in progress since College opened, and, although it plays a very important part in the tactics of some other fraternities here, we deem it a much wiser policy to proceed in a more careful way, in order to learn

our men, inasmuch as we have so few alumni chapters to keep us posted on the men entering here. Our men have not been inactive, however, and, after looking over the body of men, we placed a few "bids," and were very successful in our results.

On September 24th we unfolded and explained the secrets of the fraternity to four men, whom we are now glad to introduce to the fraternity at large as brothers:

Ernest Croel White, Norfolk, Va., '10.

Herbert Parham Balderson, Montrose, Va., '10.

Wilson Albert Powell, Norfolk, Va., '10.

Elmer Roy Snell, Harrisonburg, Va., '11.

Brother White, although as yet quite young, has shown in him the making of a man. His stature will not permit participation in many of the athletic sports, but in his other college work he is at the front. In Brothers Balderson and Powell we not only have two of the best men on the foot-ball team, but good, mature men—men whom all admire, and who are popular with both students and faculty. To those who know "Stein," his Bro. Elmer Snell needs no introduction; suffice it to say that in him we have a good man for the fraternity. Although we have made a good addition to our chapter, we are not so easily satisfied, and hope to have another "goating" some time before Christmas. In our initiations the new Ritual was used to advantage, finding it much more impressive than the rougher style of initiation which has heretofore been in vogue.

Everything now seems to be moving smoothly, and what little sensation our installation aroused last year has subsided, and the older fraternities, as well as the student body, recognize us as a fraternity here to stay.

Since we returned we have moved into more commodious quarters, and now have it furnished very comfortably; and we would be glad to enter into correspondence with those of our sister chapters who would like to aid us in decorating the room by exchanging pennants with us. We also extend to any brothers who expect to be in Richmond during the foot-ball season, or at any other time, a cordial invitation to visit us. We



also wish to thank our brothers of Eta Beta for the courtesies shown those of our men who have been so fortunate as to have had the opportunity of being with them.

Wishing all chapters a most successful year, we are,

Faternally,

*Clarence D. Johns,*  
*Chapter Historian.*

ZETA.

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## Lambda Alpha.

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Georgia School of Technology.

Meets every Saturday Night at 409 Austell Building.

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It is with great pleasure that Lambda Alpha again sends greetings to her sister chapters through THE JOURNAL. Since vacation is over, and we have five of last year's men with us, we feel inspired to work and do our best for  $\Sigma \Phi E$  in Georgia and the adjoining States. Besides having our chapter members to help us, we have been delighted to have with us several of our brothers from other chapters, all of whom would be a credit to any fraternity.

Brother Abernathy, of Eta Beta, who is with the Southern Railway, has been with us for some time, but has returned to Lynchburg, Va. We believe him to be a fine man, and one who will put life in any chapter.

Bro. R. L. Russell, from Zeta, is in the city, attending a medical college. He attends every meeting we have, especially when the goat is to be ridden.

Bro. Carl Holliday, also of Zeta, is here. He is a member of the faculty of Cox College. We hope to have him at our meetings and see a great deal of him during the year.

Since the opening of school the chapter has pledged four and taken in three members. We have more in view, and, no doubt, will have a nice size chapter before the year is over. We take pleasure in introducing our three new brothers:

G. A. Bennett, Atlanta, Ga.

C. L. Hardwick, Atlanta, Ga.

R. L. Harris, Griffin, Ga.

We are very proud of these men, and are sure that each will do all in his power to uphold the fair name of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ .

For the lack of time, in our last letter we failed to say anything about the institution of which we are a part, and now take the liberty to say a few words in behalf of this school. The Georgia School of Technology is the largest, and is growing faster than any other school in this section. We have a student body of over six hundred, and it is reported that over one hundred have been turned from its doors this year. It is the leading technical school of the South, and is giving to this section and to the North, each year, men fully qualified to engineer the largest plants, and to accomplish the work put upon them in all the engineering fields. We have here ten national fraternities and several local clubs. We are glad to say that  $\Sigma \Phi E$  ranks among the best, and that the chapter has been treated as if it had been chartered for years. We wish to extend to all brothers a cordial welcome to visit us while in Atlanta.

Fraternally,

W. H. Bone,

LAMBDA ALPHA.

*Acting Chapter Historian.*

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## Mu Alpha.

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Delaware College.

Meets every Thursday at 7:30 P. M., at Fraternity House.

Mu Alpha takes pleasure in greeting all her sister chapters in this the first letter of the year.

Delaware College opened September 12th with a larger Freshman class than ever before, making the outlook for Mu Alpha brighter than ever.

The foot-ball team has been greatly weakened in Delaware this year by the loss of nearly all the old line men. Lots of

candidates are appearing from the Freshman class. Brother Baldwin, this year's captain, is working with his usual determined energy. Brother Newman has arranged an excellent schedule, and we are all looking forward to a successful year in foot-ball. Brother Wingitt has at last realized that he is a large enough boy to play foot-ball.

Bro. George Francis surprised us with a short visit the other week, and reports plenty of hard work in New York.

Brothers Griffin and Cooney stopped over night two weeks ago. We felt honored and greatly pleased. Brother Griffin gave us some excellent ideas on chapter house government.

Brother Wingitt returned home from the Convention with a smiling face, and declares Richmond a perfect city.

As we are still comparatively young in  $\Sigma \Phi E$ , we would be pleased to receive suggestions from any of our sister chapters.

In closing, we wish every  $\Sigma \Phi E$  brother a successful year's work.

Yours fraternally,

*C. H. Coale,*  
*Chapter Historian.*

MU ALPHA.

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## Eta.

**University of Virginia.**

Meets every Saturday Night in Our Suite of Rooms.

Eta Chapter sends greetings to all brothers in  $\Sigma \Phi E$ , and wishes them success and joy in the session's work.

We are starting out at the University of Virginia with bright prospects, and expect to plant the banner of  $\Sigma \Phi E$  firmly and securely and in an honorable position at this proud old University.

Eta Chapter is most happy to receive Bro. G. M. Snell, who comes from Zeta Chapter, and Bro. P. H. Gaskins, who hails from the Georgia Tech. We feel that these brothers have added to our strength, and with the return of five old Eta men, and the constant association and help of Brother Marshall (M. D.

University of Virginia, '07), who is on the medical staff of the Martha Jefferson Hospital, Charlottesville, we feel confident of success.

In our next letter we hope to introduce to the brothers several of the choicest men of our University. Eta is young, but she is flourishing, and intends to grow stronger every day.

There are twenty-seven frats. in the University of Virginia, and, consequently, all fraternity material is looked after pretty sharply and thoroughly, but Eta will get her share.

Sigma Phi Epsilon is reaching up and out, and Eta is most desirous of being a help to our beloved fraternity in its efforts to realize greater ambitions. We want to be of some service in the great work of the fraternity. We intend that Eta shall not be a parasite and live on the work that other chapters perform.

It was the pleasure of Brothers Marshall, Dixon, Gaskins, and McCaul to attend the Conclave in Richmond, and we came back full of enthusiasm, and with hearts set on pushing on our standard. It was a great joy to greet the brothers from the various chapters, and we shall not soon forget their manly faces, and the pleasure it gave us to be with them.

Bravo, Alpha! We were most elegantly entertained by Alpha Chapter, and too much cannot be said for the faithfulness of the brothers who managed the affairs of the Conclave.

Congratulations, Brother Grand Officers; congratulations brothers all, upon the fine condition of our brotherhood.

Heaven has smiled upon  $\Sigma \Phi E$  during the years of its existence. May we continue to merit that smile, and may the happiest days of the past of  $\Sigma \Phi E$  be the saddest of its future.

Eta is happy to introduce to the brothers in  $\Sigma \Phi E$  two worthy brothers whom we initiated in the secrets of the fraternity after our installation last spring. They are :

William Aull, Lexington, Mo.

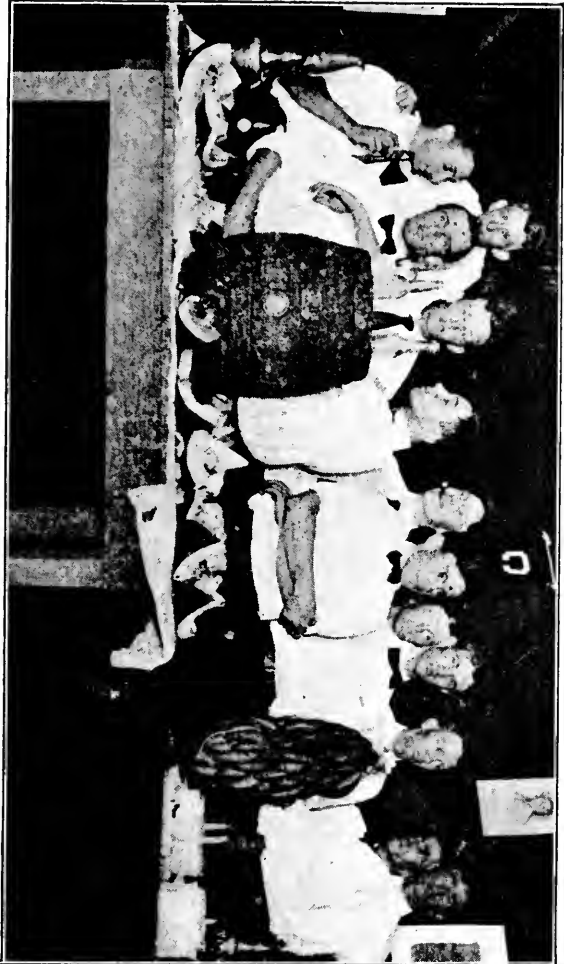
E. E. Noonan, Waterbury, Mass.

Fraternally,

*T. V. McCaul,*

*Acting Chapter Historian.*

ETA.



A MIDNIGHT FEAST.  
Eta Chapter, University of Virginia.



## Nu Alpha.

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University of Arkansas.

Meets every Saturday Night at Hall in Wolf Building.

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### *To All Our Sister Chapters—Greetings:*

Nu Alpha Chapter joins the brothers in  $\Sigma \Phi E$  with great pleasure. On the night of October 2d we had the pleasure of meeting our Grand President, N. R. Cooney, who initiated the members of our local into the mysteries of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ . Although we have existed as a local for seven years, and had an elaborate Ritual, all were more than pleased with the great moral truths brought out in our beautiful ceremonies. Lived out, these truths will make far better men, both in college and in after life. Situated on the border of the great Southwest, we shall try to uphold the standard of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ , and, as the Crusaders of old, advance it into the enemies' territory. The fraternity may look for other chapters in this magnificent country as the direct result of the founding of Nu Alpha. Let us present an unbroken chain of brothers from the Atlantic to the Pacific, heralding the coming of the Heart of Gold.

The chapter has twelve men. The first six are officers.

Jesse Isaac Janes, '08, Dover, Arkansas.

Clyde Eric Goodner, '10, Oden, Arkansas.

Truman Dale Williamson, '10, Springdale, Arkansas.

Clarence Hubert Woodruff, '08, Rhea, Arkansas.

John Willard Baxter (Post.), Fayetteville, Arkansas.

William Sidney Morgan, '09, Chickalah, Arkansas.

George Fleming Jones, '08, Frank, Arkansas.

Thomas Milton Pearson, '08, Rhea, Arkansas.

Earl Witt, '10, Mt. Ida, Arkansas.

Lee R. Plemmons, '10, Oden, Arkansas.

Joseph Irwin Pitchford, '10, Talequah, Oklahoma.

William B. Ross, '09, Little Rock, Arkansas.

We also have some thirty alumni, who will be initiated as they visit us. This gives Nu Alpha a strong membership in the

State, and will be valuable aid during the rushing season. The University is just entering upon one of the most prosperous sessions of its existence. Already one thousand have matriculated, and the enrollment will probably reach twelve hundred. The Law and Medical Departments are at Little Rock.

We have  $\Sigma$  A E, K  $\Sigma$ , K A (Southern),  $\Sigma$  N,  $\Sigma$  X, and  $\Pi$  K A in college; sororities, X  $\Omega$ , and Z T A. Besides these, there is a local petitioning A T  $\Omega$ , and a local sorority,  $\Gamma$  E  $\Delta$ .  $\Theta$  N E has a strong chapter, and has done much to put down the anti-fraternity feeling. We have a strong Pan-Hellenic Association, composed of two members from each fraternity and sorority.

We mourn the loss of one of our brothers, who would have been with us this year. Our Brother Clyde Peer was drowned in Dow Lake, near South McAlester, Oklahoma, this summer, while attempting to save the life of two young ladies. *In coelo pax est.*

Nu Alpha extends a cordial invitation to all brothers to visit us when in Fayetteville.

With best wishes for the success of our entire fraternity, we are,

Yours, in Sigma Phi Epsilon,

*John W. Baxter,*  
*Chapter Historian.*

NU ALPHA.

## Delta Epsilon.

Lehigh University.

Meets every Friday Evening at Fraternity House, 704 Dakota Street.

Delta Epsilon sends greetings for the first time to her sister chapters of  $\Sigma$   $\Phi$  E, and hopes that in the near future she may be able to enter into closer relations with them.

In this, our first letter to THE JOURNAL, it probably would be best to tell who we are and what we have been doing. This I will endeavor to do now. Our undergraduate brothers are



N. H. Sayford, '08, Camden, N. J.  
R. E. Loper, '08, Port Jefferson, Long Island, N. Y.  
E. C. Fetter, '08, Reading, Pa.  
John Westerbeke, '08, Sayville, Long Island, N. Y.  
John Hills, '08, Baltimore, Md.  
William J. Priestley, '08, Chicopee, Mass.  
L. C. D. Greenough, '09, Four Paths, Jamaica.  
Ira Schneller, '09, Bethlehem, Pa.  
F. M. Sayford, '10, Camden, N. J.  
Ross Hall, '10, Harrisburg, Pa.  
Edward Ehman, '10, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.  
Charles H. Poole, '10, Camden, N. J.

Our graduate brothers are

J. H. Wily, E. E., '05.  
James Seacrest, C. E., '05.  
George Mervine, E. E., '05.  
C. T. Schwartz, M. E., '05.  
Thomas H. Luders, M. E., '06.  
E. S. Foster, E. E., '07.  
M. J. Greenough, C. E., '07.  
Charles Bachman, M. E., '07.

Of these, Brothers Wily and Seacrest live in the house, and Brother Foster comes to the house for meals, so we are in very close touch with them.

Of our undergraduate brothers, Brother Ned Sayford is manager of the Lehigh University Supply Bureau. Brother Loper is a member of the Y. M. C. A. Cabinet, manager of the Lehigh University Calendar, and treasurer of the Electrical Engineering. Brother Fetter is treasurer of the Tennis Club. Brother Westerbeke is 'Varsity centre of the foot-ball team, plays on the 'Varsity Lacrosse team, and is a director of the Lehigh University Supply Bureau. Brother Hills entered in advanced standing from the Baltimore Polytechnical Institute in the Junior year. Brother Priestley is president of the Tau Beta Pi fraternity, president of the Mechanical Engineering Society, and a

member of the Founders Day Hop Committee. The writer is a member of the Executive Committee of the Sophomore class.

We have been closely united for a number of years, this being our third year that we have had a house. It is situated at No. 704 Dakota Street, in the best residence section of the town. It is a three-story house, with ten large bed-rooms and a bath on the second and third floors. On the first floor are two living rooms, dining room, and kitchen.

Of our College but little need be said. Our student body averages about seven hundred. Lehigh stands on a plane with the best technical schools of the country, and also presents classical courses. It is beautifully situated on the slope of South Mountain, at South Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

Our officers as elected are Brothers Ned Sayford, R. E. Loper, F. M. Sayford, E. C. Fetter, Charles H. Poole, and L. C. D. Greenough.

In closing, Delta Epsilon extends to its brothers in  $\Sigma \Phi E$  a very successful college year.

Fraternally,

*Charles H. Poole,*  
*Chapter Historian.*

DELTA EPSILON.





**N. R. COONEY,**  
Grand President.



**S. K. PHILLIPS,**  
Grand Secretary.



**CLYDE VER BECK,**  
Grand Vice-President.





## Editorials.

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IN our May issue we neglected to give Bro. Clyde Ver Beck credit for the article "The Freedom of the Press." We trust that Brother Ver Beck will pardon this oversight and again honor us with as worthy an article.

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IT again becomes incumbent upon the Editor to call attention to the coming year. We now start on the seventh year of the life of  $\Sigma \Phi E$ . The past six years show that greater strides have been made by us than were ever made by any other Greek Letter fraternity. These strides have not been simply in the addition of numbers to our chapter roll, but in the strengthening of chapters, especially in bringing them in closer touch with the national organization. The Grand President has visited most every chapter and reports them all in a flourishing condition. It has been the pleasure of most of the grand officers to visit several of the chapters during the past session, and these visits have added to the general good feeling existant throughout the fraternity. These six years ending in a most successful one, and a most enthusiastic Conclave, should not give any one the idea that our work is over and that we can now rest, and that  $\Sigma \Phi E$  will run itself. With the increased number of chapters and a wider range of territory covered, new conditions arise, new questions of policy have to be considered, and the labors of all of the

national officers are increased. As all are offices of honor only, it is necessary that the individuals, as well as the chapters, should do everything possible to aid in the work, to show their appreciation of these officers' labor. We urge you one and all to do your part.

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WE wish to call attention to two prizes that are offered this year.

Brother C. L. Turnipseed, Delta, of Union Springs, Alabama, offers \$25 in cash to the chapter having the best chapter letter in Volume V. of THE JOURNAL. The only restriction he places upon the competition is that the chapter to win must have a letter in every issue of Volume V.

A committee of three, to be appointed by the Grand President, will decide which letter is the best.

The Editor will give a \$20 pin to the individual who sends in the best article for Volume V. of THE JOURNAL. The winner of this prize will be determined by a committee appointed by the Grand President.

It is to be hoped that these two offers will greatly improve the chapter letters, and give us an overflow of good articles.

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IN view of the conditions brought to the notice of Grand President Cooney on his recent visit to our Western chapters, and reported by him to the Charter Committee, it has been deemed advisable to have our next Conclave before the close of the present session. With this in mind, all chapters are urged to elect their delegates as soon as possible, so that all matters which the chapters are desirous of having brought up for consideration may be noted by the delegate, thus enabling him to be thoroughly conversant with his chapter's needs and desires. This will enable the Grand Chapter to accomplish more in the short time allotted them at the Conclave.

The date and place for the Conclave will be announced in the December JOURNAL.

N. R. COONEY,  
S. K. PHILLIPS,  
W. L. PHILLIPS,  
Charter Committee.



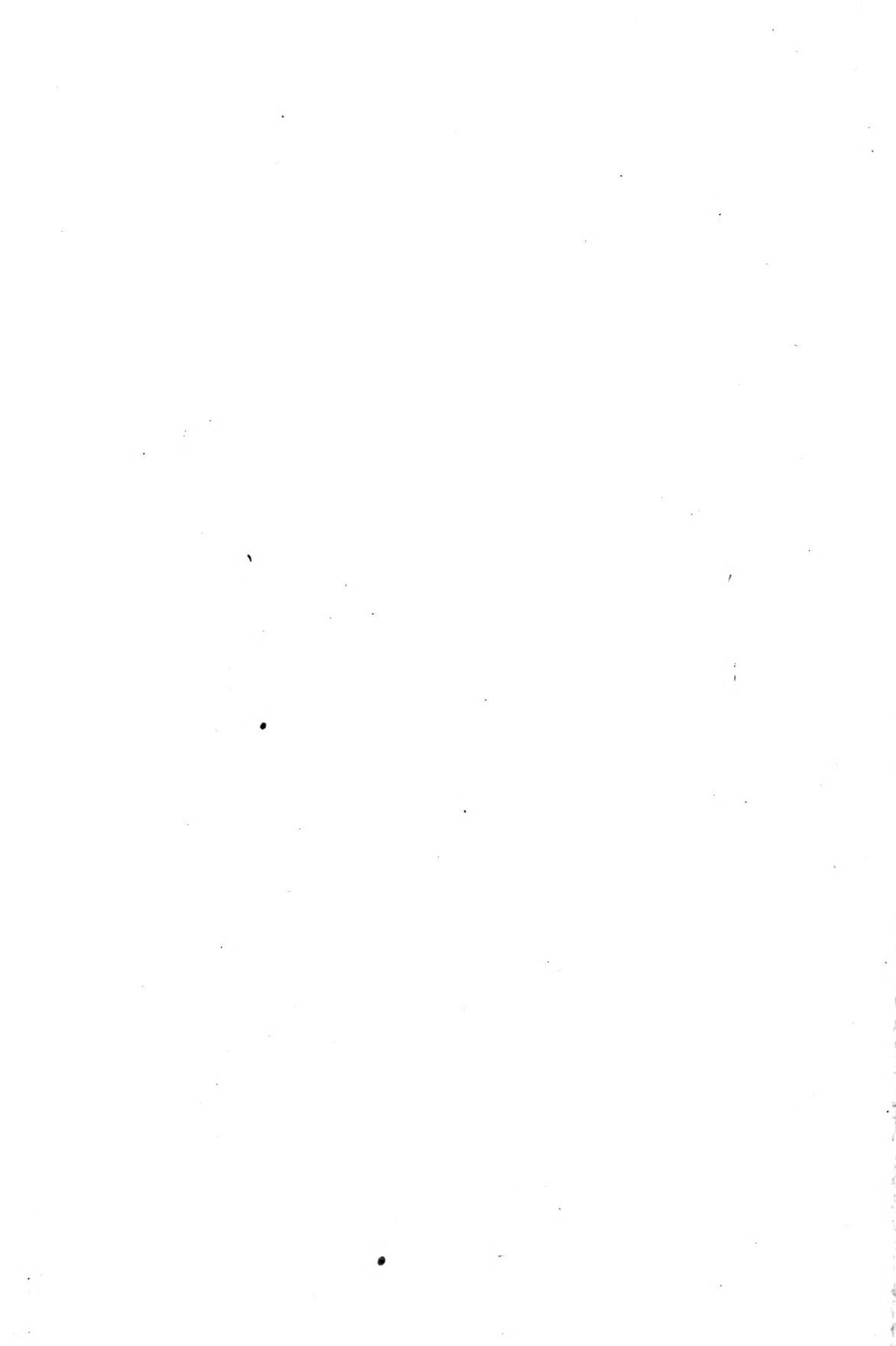
**WILLIAM L. PHILLIPS,**  
Editor-in-Chief.



**G. L. H. JOHNSON,**  
Grand Historian.



**JOHN C. GRIFFIN,**  
Grand Treasurer.





# The Greek Press.

JAMES B. WEBSTER.

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WE gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following exchanges since the May issue of THE JOURNAL went to press:

May: *The Record*, of Sigma Alpha Epsilon; *The Delta Upsilon Quarterly*; *Desmos*, of Delta Sigma Delta.

June: *The Shield*, Phi Kappa Psi; *The Rainbow*, Delta Tau Delta.

August: *Desmos*, Delta Sigma Delta.

September: *The Garnet and White*, Alpha Chi Rho; *The Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

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THIS clipping from *The Record* expresses the kindest feeling toward our young chapter at Georgia Tech., and we are sure voices the sentiment of Kappa Alpha Chapter of  $\Sigma \Phi E$  toward the newly-installed chapter of  $\Sigma A E$  at Syracuse University:

"Just a few weeks ago  $\Sigma \Phi E$  installed a chapter at Tech. This new chapter, at present is composed of seven men, and we are indeed glad to have them within our realm of fraternity life. There is a condition of general good feeling among the nine fraternities already represented out here, and we believe that, by the addition of this tenth chapter, the conditions will only be improved."

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THIS editorial from *The Record* is worthy of the attention of every fraternity man, and the subject almost demands definite, decisive action by our national fraternities. In this day, when there seems an increasing tendency to attack college fraternities, it is the old question of "the survival of the fittest." If a fraternity does not contribute something good to the life of the institution in which its chapters are located, or something to the building of strong manly character, in these days of rush and hurry, it isn't worth while, and deserves to die. We believe

that this honor system relates itself vitally to the moral character of our members. It is the purpose of the fraternity to strengthen the character of its members. Definite action of the fraternity will help its members to stand for a "square deal in putting the honor system into effect."

"Things have come to a pretty pass when in great universities, upon whose walls are inscribed inspiring mottoes, and in whose halls presidents and professors proclaim in majestic platitudes that the college is the source of all true manliness and virtue, it is admitted that a great many students 'crib' or 'jack' on examination. This, however, is the state of affairs in more than one of our institutions. Faculties claim that they have found the honor system impossible; students claim, on the other hand, that until the faculties show them the consideration due honorable men they cannot expect the students to act as such. Men who enter college with a well-defined sense of honor find this situation abhorrent, while those who enter weak and undeveloped, depending upon the college for all the honorable teachings that they will ever get, accept it as in vogue and therefore all right. We are inclined to think that there may be some professors who 'jacked' their way through college, and who think that nothing better is to be expected from their present pupils. With this idea they often put up examinations that the average student cannot pass creditably, except by compromising his sense of honor. It is hard to fail honorably when all around you there are men, your inferiors, passing up with information not their own. Such a cheapening of the college degree can be stopped only by a thorough understanding between faculty and the students, and it is through the fraternities that this understanding can be most easily brought about. The matter can be fought out and agreed upon in the chapter, and then transmitted through faculty members to the authorities. With the fraternities holding their members up to the honor system, the non-fraternity men will have to fall in with it, and, once started, the system will run itself.

"Phi Delta Theta, in national convention, has endorsed the

honor system. Let every fraternity not only endorse it, but hold its members strictly up to it. This will be hard to do in some places, but it is seldom easy to do right, and it is a sorry crowd that will acknowledge a lack of moral courage.

“‘Believe me for mine honour, and have respect to mine honour that you may believe.’

“A solution can be found in an understanding between students and faculty based upon these words of Brutus.”

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ALONG this same line clippings from *The Shield* of Φ K Ψ show the thoughts of some fraternity men as to what are the real evils of the fraternity system when brought face to face with the question of the right of the fraternities to exist:

“The spirit of pleasure is entirely too prevalent in our chapters. To the constitutional requirements has been added, by the undergraduates of some chapters, a new requirement, wealth. Unless a student ‘has money’ he will not be taken in, although he may be the best sort of student, possessing splendid character, but is not a spendthrift nor a society man, but a ‘book-worm,’ who has his business in college and means to attend to it, wins honors in his classes, never is conditioned, and commands the respect of faculty and students, but is not rich, is not a ‘good fellow’ in their sense of the word, hence he is not taken in. What a contrast to the men of ’52. We know them by their works. Of the great number of brothers who leave college to-day, by graduation or otherwise, how few of them will ever be known by their works? We need to return to the ‘ways of our fathers.’ More manhood is needed. Our consciences are seared like a blacksmith’s hand, and we are wont to look on life too lightly, to disregard honest debts in some cases, to disregard a solemn oath taken on joining the fraternity. The college days are the very best days of a man’s life. To spend them in college ‘having a good time’ is ruinous. Parents do not send their sons to college for this, yet the boys ‘make a fraternity,’ which throws around them a new influence. They

follow the crowd, and if the crowd dissipates they will pull their young brothers down with them, and *vice versa*. Our alumni must pay more attention to the bettering of chapter conditions. They should keep in touch with the chapter, and demand that the purpose for which it was founded be strictly adhered to. Failing in this important duty, we will fail of the very purpose of our organization. Young men cannot afford to devote their college course to learning extravagant, dilatory, or inaccurate, or to acquiring shiftless or worse mental and moral habits, which, before he can be successful in college, or after leaving it, he must unlearn."

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THE *Shield* of  $\Phi K \Psi$  has a very strong and suggestive editorial, which follows:

"What is a college education without character in the man upon whom it is bestowed? Only a perspective upon which the weaknesses of a vicious individual show in more distinct outline. The attention of the whole country has been fixed for some time, as these lines are written, upon what has become in many respects the most noteworthy criminal *cause celebre* of our time—the Thaw case. The attention that has been drawn to this case originates very largely in the fact that the two principals in the tragedy were men to whom had come a rich heritage of opportunity, which both of them wasted in ways that differed. Thaw was rich by inheritance beyond the dream of avarice. His parents tried to force an education upon him; he would have none of it. At college he wallowed in the slime that he preferred to anything worth while, and he plunged out of college into the career that landed him into the cell of a felon, with the blood of a murderer on his hands and the putrid brain of a degenerate in his head. Stanford White, on the other hand, was a man of wonderful creative genius, of artistic temperament, of real greatness, and yet under it all was a rotten cesspool of corruption that is a stench in the nostrils of decent men and women. The man's talent and opportunity only accentuate the baseness of his life, which has left an honored family name to be linked with that of

Oscar Wilde and others, whose bestiality overshadows all else that the public remembers of them. There has never been a time in the history of this country when grounded character was at so high a premium as it is to-day, or veneered rascality at so great a discount. The college man who is walking the primrose way that leads to such a finish as that of White or of Thaw is a traitor to the world, to his associates, and to himself. The fraternity ought to be more and more insistent upon freedom from vicious habits in candidates for its association. The editor of *The Shield* a few weeks ago came in contact with a member of one of the most exclusive chapters of one of the most exclusive college fraternities, a young man only two or three years out of college—unquestionably the wreck of a brilliant fellow. But he was full of all the booze and dope he could get the money to buy. He ran away from the city in which the editor of *The Shield* lives in order to escape arrest for beating a board bill. He was a pathetic human derelict, beyond the reach of human aid; but if any one had told him three or four years ago that there was any danger involved in dissipation the teller would have been dubbed an ass by this young man. We knew another college fraternity man who appeared at the back door of a chapter house of his own fraternity begging as a tramp. The money was raised to send him to a city he desired to reach; he blew in the funds for liquor and rode out of the place on the bumpers. *The Shield* is not sermonizing; it draws no conclusions from these things; it simply points out some facts for the benefit of a few young men, who will probably appreciate them in future in inverse proportion to their acceptance of these facts' significance now."

We take the above from *The Record's* exchange column, because we failed to get that number of *The Shield*.

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SOME good hints on pledging, from *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*:

"In his paper on 'Methods of Rushing,' read before the convention of District III., David Fulmer Keely (Pennsylvania, '08) said:

“The first “smoker” is one of the most important events of the rushing season, for then the prospective man forms his first impressions of the chapter and incidentally of the fraternity. \* \* \* Every member should keep his eyes and ears open as long as a prospective man is in the house. When he sees a Freshman alone he should go up and talk to him, and make the Freshman talk, even though the man should not be the material desired. This should be every chapter member’s motto: “Be host to every visitor, keep things on the move, and don’t let any man to himself for a moment.”

“The handling of the prospective man during the period between his election and pledging should be most tactful. Every thing should be done to make the chapter particularly attractive to him. Probably the sooner a good man is pledged after his election the better, but before he is pledged he should be informed in a general way of the principles of the fraternity.

“Between the time of his pledging and initiation the new man either grows to love his choice or becomes disappointed and downcast that he ever made the step. And what would possibly give him this impression? Maybe, after a few days, the fellows become less cordial, and careless in their conversation; he sees disinterestedness where all had seemed spontaneous earnestness; he overhears vulgar language and coarse jests. In short, he wonders whether he has made the right choice after all. Instead of such thoughts, he ought to be delighted that he is to become a Delta U. He should be made to realize what an honor it is and how it fits into the very purpose of his own life. If the fellows make the candidate feel that way unconsciously, he will grow to love the fraternity and the fellows, and he will work for Delta U because he loves her principles.

“The question is, how can we accomplish this? It would seem that this time should be a sort of training period. It should be a time when the candidate is made to realize for what the fraternity stands and its relation to other fraternities; that Delta U stands not only for fellowship, but for a definite ideal in the college community—justice in all things. Does it not

seem necessary, therefore, that there should be compiled a course of instruction, which could be taken up with the candidate from time to time in a befitting and dignified manner by seniors and alumni? The candidates would thus be enlightened before initiation upon many fundamental matters, which now frequently puzzle some members of the fraternity, who have never quite grasped the significance of Delta U ideals.’”

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WE have once before called attention to the movement for a Pan-Hellenic Library. It seems very desirable that all fraternities should co-operate with those who are promoting the movement. The following from *The Delta Upsilon Quarterly* explains more fully the plan and purpose :

THE PAN-HELLENIC LIBRARY—A PUBLIC COLLECTION OF FRATERNITY LITERATURE.

“Editorial reference has been made to the plan for a ‘Pan-Hellenic Fraternity Library,’ resulting from one of the suggestions of the ‘Internal Improvement Committee’ in their report at the Chicago Convention.

“This plan has so far developed that an ‘open letter’ is being sent out to all fraternities requesting their co-operation. The letter is sent with the endorsement of eight fraternities and societies—Alpha Phi, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Alpha, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Chi, and Theta Delta Chi. Others have given their endorsement since the letter was put into final shape.

“Theta Delta Chi appointed a committee to consider the proposition, and their report was adopted as follows :

“‘It will be seen, therefore, that the plan contemplates simply the collection in a single institution of as complete a body of fraternity literature as possible, without direct expense to any fraternity, and the repository selected, the New York City Library, is the most central one which could be chosen. It will also be seen that the plan is in its infancy, and at present it is

simply our endorsement that is requested and an authority to use our name in issuing the first prospectus.

“‘The advantages of the movement are so self-evident that discussion of them seems unnecessary. The plan seems to your committee altogether commendable, and we therefore recommend that the Grand Lodge be empowered to give the desired official sanction to the issuance of the proposed prospectus over its name.’

“*The Sigma Alpha Epsilon Record*, following a description of the plan, adds :

“‘The collection is to be turned over to the care of the New York Public Library (Astor, Lenox, and Tilden Foundations), which is naturally glad to supply shelf-room and care for so unique a collection. The Pan-Hellenic Library is thus to be as suitably located as possible, and will make readily accessible such an array of fraternity literature as was never before gathered together. \* \* \* It is earnestly to be hoped that all other fraternities will fall in line as quickly as may be. The value of such a library as the plan looks for is at once apparent. It will put before the student, in the most convenient way, the entire history of the fraternity movement of each fraternity. It will preserve the records of all Greek-letter societies and enable their members to profit by the labor and experiences of their predecessors. Fraternity literature is growing so rapidly that it is passing beyond the resources of the private collector. A public collection, permanently maintained and steadily added to, has become a necessity ; and the value of the proposed collection will be limited only by the number of fraternities who will support and contribute to it.’

“Inasmuch as the ‘open letter’ has been published by several of the fraternities endorsing the movement, *The Quarterly* presents it in this issue for the benefit of its readers :

#### THE OPEN LETTER.

“‘In view of the steady growth of the college fraternity system throughout the United States and Canada, the publications edited by the separate units of the same are becoming steadily



more numerous and valuable, as well as more difficult to handle in individual collections.

“ ‘Every fraternity, at the best, has one or more complete files of its own literature, and a heterogeneous mass of other material that is almost worthless on account of its incompleteness and lack of proper classification.

“ ‘Concentration of effort and material is the watchword of to-day, and the following fraternities and sororities have united in placing before the fraternity system at large a scheme for the formation of a Pan-Hellenic Fraternity Library Collection, which shall be of no financial burden to the fraternities themselves, and which will be managed in the interest of all college fraternal organizations equally: Alpha Phi, Delta Upsilon, Kappa Alpha, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Theta Delta Chi, Sigma Chi.”

SUGGESTIONS OFFERED BY THE AFORESAID FRATERNITIES AND  
SORORITIES.

“ ‘1. That the entire college fraternity system unite in forming a Pan-Hellenic Fraternity Library Collection, which shall include all college fraternal publications and such other material as may be relative thereto.

“ ‘2. That each individual organization supply said library with as complete a collection of its publications as may be possible, also aiding the library in securing complete files of such other fraternal publications as it may be in need of.

“ ‘3. That each fraternity shall continue to supply said library with such material as may be necessary to keep it at all times up-to-date.

“ ‘4. That such material shall become the property of said library, to be held, arranged, and catalogued by it; the library agreeing at all times to welcome suggestions concerning the welfare of said property.

“ ‘5. That each fraternity supplying said library with material shall appoint a representative, who shall be empowered to act for that organization in all matters pertaining to said library col-

lection, and who is to keep the library informed as to his or her address.

“‘6. That the said library collection, its supervision, and care of material, shall be of no expense to the various fraternities other than the forwarding of material to the same.

“‘7. That the aforesaid fraternity material be turned over to the care of the New York Public Library (Astor, Lenox, and Tilden Foundations), which has assured the librarian of Delta Upsilon of its extreme willingness to supply room for said library collection, and to handle such material under the conditions herein set forth.

“‘All college fraternities and sororities are both invited and urged to aid in the accomplishment of this scheme, which, when once well started, will take care of itself.

“‘Kindly send all such material, from now until further notification, prepaid and addressed to

“‘THE PAN-HELLENIC FRATERNITY LIBRARY COLLECTION,  
New York Public Library.’

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE.

“The scheme proposed is not a demand on any fraternity for a complete file, or their only file, but a request of them for as full a line of their publications as they are willing and can afford to give.

“Where certain ones may be adverse to making public their private literature, the case is entirely understood and respected.”

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WE cannot refrain from copying this wholesome remedy for existing evils in the fraternity system from *The Delta Upsilon Quarterly* :

#### A TIMELY WORD.

“For the evils of college fraternities I know of but one remedy—bring in better men. These organizations are good or bad according to the aggregate influence of the men in them. If a college has a large body of young men in training to be

gentlemen of leisure, idlers, triflers, or snobs, it will have fraternities composed of just these fellows. If a college is determined to educate only men worthy of the money expended on them, it will make no provision for the idler. The 'gentleman of leisure' at the best is only deadwood in our body politic. But even if he is to be encouraged, the best training for his youth, as well as for all other youths, is to make him work. The best preventive for youthful vices is to keep the boys busy. If a college will drop from its rolls all who cannot or will not do the work expected of them, at the time when it is due, and by the man himself, not by a hired coach, then decent men will be left—all that are worth educating. If decent and industrious men are gathered into fraternities, these again will be decent and industrious, as well as democratic. There is nothing which so promotes democracy in college as to hold every man alike up to his work, while the rest rich or poor, are led quietly to the edge of the campus, to be dropped off into a less strenuous life."

DAVID S. JORDAN, Cornell, '72.

(President of Leland Stanford, Jr., University.)

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THE discussion of the standards for fraternity membership in *The Garnet and White* is full of good suggestions, and we clip the closing paragraph, which sums up well the writer's ideas on the subject :

"After considering these four standards—numbers, wealth, compatibility, and achievements—we are convinced that their logical tendency is to make a fraternity at least lop-sided—more often degenerate. There is something vastly more essential than any or all of these; it is the quality of manliness. To neglect or to subordinate this quality means death to all that is worthful or permanent in fraternal life; to cherish and exalt it means life and health. Numbers and wealth will come fast enough to the fraternity whose members are continually 'making good,' not merely in one special field, but as 'all-around men.' Common efforts and ideals keep men congenial longer than do common

whims or appetites. The leader in college, as elsewhere, is most often the man made independent by his dependence on an absolute standard—made fit to command men because he has learned to obey principles. Thus insistence on manliness, as the one thing indispensable, by no means deprives us of the highly important externals. Yet, if need be, we could well afford to sacrifice them all rather than to surrender this safeguard against internal decay—this pledge of Victory, our Fourth Landmark.”

H. W. LAWRENCE, JR.

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### Notes of the Greek World.

Δ T Δ has established a chapter at Purdue.

Φ B K has granted a charter for a Michigan chapter.

A T Ω will soon publish a complete fraternity directory in pocket edition.

“Θ N E has practically been abolished at the University of Kansas. The different fraternities have taken action against it on account of the conduct of certain of its members at a recent party given by them. The action has come apparently not from the college authorities, but from the fraternities themselves.”—*Chapter Letter of Kansas Alpha, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.*

“I have no doubt that the faculty hardly realized that they would so soon be called upon to enforce the law in regard to pledging preparatory students, but such was the case. We were more than sorry when the chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha was forced to surrender their charter on account of pledging a member who was ineligible. It was due to an accident, but was undoubtedly against the law.”—*Kappa Alpha (So.) Correspondent, University of Arkansas.*

## Alumni Notes.

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Albert G. Brown, Eta, is on his ranch in Montana.

Gail S. Hageman, Theta Alpha, is located at Denver, Colo.

Carl Holliday, Eta, is now Professor of English in Cox College, College Park, Ga.

Harvey Murdock, Epsilon Alpha, is now a Professor of Mathematics at the University of Illinois.

Fred Kroeger, Epsilon Alpha, is now a Professor of Engineering at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.

E. J. Durkin, Theta Alpha, is purchasing agent for the Kilby Manufacturing Company, of Cleveland, Ohio.

W. F. Rittman, Theta Alpha, has been elected president of the Senior Class and a member of the Glee Club at Swarthmore.

D. Tillar I'Anson, Zeta Alpha, has removed his law office from South Carolina to Norfolk, Va., where he is associated with Mr. George C. Cabell.

Hon. A. E. Healey, Epsilon Alpha, represented Boulder county in the last General Assembly of the State of Colorado. He made a name for himself by securing the removal of the last two years of the State University medical course to Denver. The adherents of this measure have been trying for several years to secure its passage, and have had it before the Legislature for the past four sessions. To Brother Healey is due the credit for the passage of this good measure.

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